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From the student body . . .

Dear Kenyon Alumni, February 26, 1985
Recently you may have received a letter from the *Gambier Journal*, or more specifically, from its two editors-in-chief. I make this distinction because the sentiments expressed in the aforementioned letter are not those of the entire staff. Moreover, they are not shared by the vast majority of the Kenyon student body.

I am writing to you, as president of the Student Council, on behalf of the student body to express our outrage that Kenyon College and its students have been so misrepresented. The Kenyon portrayed in *The Gambier Journal* letter must have seemed as unfamiliar to you as it did to me. To put it bluntly, Kenyon College does not need the help that the *Journal* solicits.

The portrayal of a Kenyon controlled by militant feminists, where "any serious questioning of the 'feminist world view' is not welcome" and where "no longer are students here to learn to think on their own," is simply untrue. Students are thinking on their own, and in fact have a say in most areas of the College. Students are influential even in determining curriculum, and they are chosen for these positions not by the administration, but by the Student Council. And I can assure you that if "a small minority of militant feminists" alluded to in the *Journal* letter does exist, it controls neither the administration, faculty, or Student Council.

While this letter condemns many of the misleading images of the *Journal* letter, it should not be construed as a diatribe against the publication itself. Instead, my contention is to impress upon you, the Kenyon alumni, that Kenyon has neither abandoned the free expression of ideas nor discarded traditional values. Rather, the

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Journal letter provokes campus outrage

By Sara Overton
with Michael Pierce

Over the past few days the Kenyon Community has been questioning the validity of a letter sent by the editors-in-chief of *The Gambier Journal*, Peter McFadden and Jeffrey Smith, to approximately 9,000 alumni. There have been several reactions among students, faculty and administration, ranging from concerned questions at Monday's Town Meeting to threatening phone calls to the editors.

The purpose of the subscription letter, according to McFadden, is to raise the interest of the alumni. At the Tuesday meeting of the *Journal*, McFadden, who co-authored the letter with Smith, said, "I tried to say things as honestly and as clearly as I see them." McFadden believes that the concerns expressed in the letter are backed up sufficiently by editorials in the *Journal* to justify their inclusion in the letter. When asked why the publication did not make a simple invitation to alumni based on the paper's merits, McFadden replied "because we wanted to get them (the subscribers) interested, we wanted to get them off their seats and wanting to subscribe to the

Journal." He believes "the letter tells what they get when they get the *Journal*. It's good advertising. Nothing was said in the letter we haven't said before."

In the October, 1984 issues of the *Journal*, the editors wrote: "Someone should inform Jerry Irish that we are at Kenyon for a liberal education, not a Liberal Indoctrination." In their recent letter to the alumni McFadden and Smith used the same quote, but added on words and changed another. Thus the quote in the letter read, "Someone should inform Provost Jerry Irish that we are at Kenyon for a liberal education not a Feminist Indoctrination." When asked why the quote was transformed McFadden replied, "Feminist Indoctrination" is a more accurate term than the one given in the beginning of the year." He added, "We thought that we would not complain if we misquoted ourselves."

McFadden feels the terms used in the letter were clear. He used a dictionary to define "militant" as "vigorous, active, aggressive"—a definition he feels comfortable with in the *Journal's* use of the term "militant feminist" in the letter. According to McFadden the editors chose

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From the The Gambier Journal . . .

Dear Kenyonite: February 15, 1985
Kenyon College needs your help.

We at *The Gambier Journal*, a student-run monthly magazine now in its fourth year of publication, have grown steadily more concerned in the four years we have been students. We have seen little effort on the part of the administration to promote that which we came to Kenyon for: an environment welcoming open debate, where all views are treated seriously and are challenged.

We have seen a small minority of militant feminists, with the full support of the administration, attempt to politicize almost every aspect of the College. Kenyon now has a Women's Studies course where students can get academic credit for needlepoint, and many courses where students only need to complain about "class, gender and race" to pass. It is made clear that any serious questioning of the "feminist world view" is not welcome.

This year in our first issue we began an editorial by saying that "Someone should inform Provost Jerry Irish that we are at Kenyon for a liberal education, not a Feminist Indoctrination." We have upset many in the administration and in the faculty, but we are proud of our efforts because we think Kenyon can be the best liberal arts college in the country, and we see ourselves as working to keep this dream alive.

Provost Irish is pushing what is now becoming to be known as the "New Curriculum." The heavy emphasis is on a radical brand on feminism and on a greater awareness of "Third World" issues. Colleges such as Antioch, Oberlin and Denison are looked to and admired for their "cosmopolitan" nature and their heightened social awareness and political activism.

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Fundraising at Kenyon on the rise

By Bob Warburton

Overall fundraising revenue totals for the College have reached 3.8 and 3.4 million dollars respectively the past two years, a dramatic improvement over previous efforts, according to Douglas Givens, Kenyon Vice-President for Development.

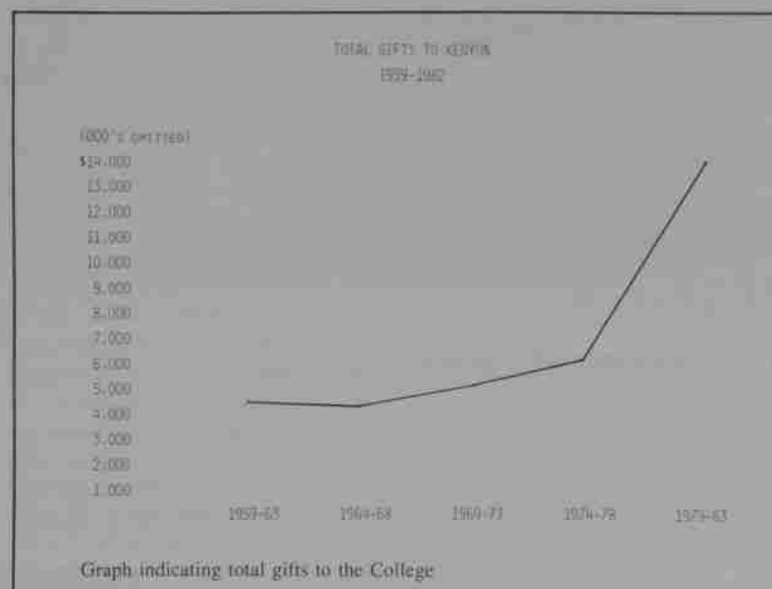
"We've been raising three million a year for the last five years," Givens said. "In the past we were lucky to raise eight or nine hundred thousand a year."

The Development Office uses three main categories to organize their fundraising efforts: unrestricted annual funds, deferred giving and capital funds. The capital funds include the endowment and monies for building or the purchase of special equipment. "Kenyon is in the planning stages of a major capital campaign," Givens said.

"Everything we do around here for the next five years will be related to that campaign," said John Ryerson, Director of Annual Funds.

Givens said he is not certain about the scope of the capital campaign or its goal because "we don't know what we can pay to do yet."

The overall success of the Development Office's fund-raising coup, Givens said, can be attributed to "the increase in the size of the College and the increase in our national reputation. President Jordan



dan and the Board of Trustees have really had a significant impact in our attempts to raise money. They have taken a real interest and worked diligently to help raise funds."

Ryerson said, "We have a pretty good volunteer network and that's probably the key. They really help us get our message across."

"The College has been more serious and more aggressive," Givens agreed. "And we have an absolutely fantastic group of volunteers." He said that the money is put back into the College for building, maintenance and enhancement of Kenyon. New programs are one way in which the academic nature of the College has been enhanced thanks to the new funds raised, Givens added, pointing out the recent addition of the Kenyon Intensive Languages program. "We raised something like \$90,000 to start that program," he said.

Ryerson is in charge of the Kenyon Fund and the Parents' Fund, the programs that make up the unrestricted annual funds category. The Kenyon Fund

is used to "balance the Operating Budget," according to President Philip Jordan, and it is made up primarily of alumni gifts.

Student fees, room and board costs, endowment and other incomes make up the annual operating income at Kenyon, and the yearly operating expenses annually create a deficit. Last year, a deficit of 1.2 million dollars had to be covered, and the Kenyon Fund is traditionally used to account for more than half of this figure. The remaining amount is covered by grants, corporate gifts, the endowment and other funds.

Ryerson describes the Kenyon Fund as "the annual alumni fund campaign," and "one piece of the total fund." The goal has been set at \$700,000 to raise this year (Ryerson calls this "a modest goal") and they hope for pledges from 45% of the total alumni body.

"There are 8900 alumni and half are under the age of 34," said Ryerson. "That's not a very good profile for raising money." This, he said, is because

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Town Meeting evokes debates

By Meryem Ersoz

Discussion at First Step's Kenyon Town Meeting, which has held Monday in the Biology Auditorium, focused on concern for the image projected of Kenyon. Most of the discussion was precipitated by a letter sent from the editors-in-chief of *The Gambier Journal* to alumni in order to solicit subscriptions. Many members of the Kenyon community are upset because they believe that the letter misrepresents the academic ideals of Kenyon and presents a slanted and unfounded view of the Women's Studies program.

Assertions in the letter, such as "we have seen little effort on the part of the administration to promote that which we came to Kenyon for: an environment welcoming open debate, where all views are treated seriously and are challenged," were questioned by individuals at the meeting. Most individuals agreed that this was not an accurate representation of Kenyon's attitudes toward issues. Peter McFadden and Jeffrey Smith, authors of the letter, were not present to defend the letter. One *Gambier Journal* staff member stated that he "didn't know if anyone on the staff, besides the editors, saw that letter" before it was sent out.

Options for responding to the letter were discussed. Some people suggested a Media Board investigation. Student Council President Peter Terhune stated his intention to draft and distribute a letter responding to the charges against Kenyon and the administration in *The Gambier Journal* letter. According to Terhune, "haste is the key" to countermand any possible misrepresentation on the part of the *Journal* letter.

The meeting also sought to determine whether the letter accurately depicted Women's Studies at Kenyon. One *Journal* staff member defended the *Journal's* position on the grounds that the *Journal* was "questioning the methods in which ideas are presented and not the ideas themselves." One of the Women's Studies professors replied that the *Journal's* views reflected inaccurate research on the part because they have "never taken the course, never done the reading and never approached members of the Women's Studies faculty in a systematic manner."

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Scott Garson '85 moderates.

A gross misrepresentation

Kenyon College needs your help

We at *The Kenyon Collegian* are concerned, because we feel that our college has been seriously wronged by the editors of *The Gambier Journal*.

By now it is common knowledge that the *Journal* editors sent a letter to the Kenyon alumni claiming that "no longer are students here to learn to think on their own." They charge that there has been "little effort on the part of the administration to promote that which we came to Kenyon for: an environment welcoming open debate, where all views are treated seriously and are challenged." We feel that not only is this a gross misrepresentation of the College, but that the entire letter-writing project, from conception to mailing, was unethical and possibly dishonest as well.

First there is the fact that these gentlemen sent a letter to the alumni, claiming that they seek "open debate" on campus. This is a paradox in itself. For in sending a letter of this sort to the alumni, they skirted debate entirely. The authors of this letter kept its content, and even its existence, a secret espousing an extremely biased point of view and allowing absolutely no chance for rebuttal. Gambier alumni did not receive the letter; the authors claim they "ran out of envelopes" and felt that Gambier alumni already had easy access to the *Journal* and the issues in question. We wonder if they didn't actually wish to keep the letter hidden from the rest of the community, that a differing point of view would not reach the alumni who received it. Going "behind the back" of the community, and of those with opposing views seems to be a most insidious form of sabotage on "open debate."

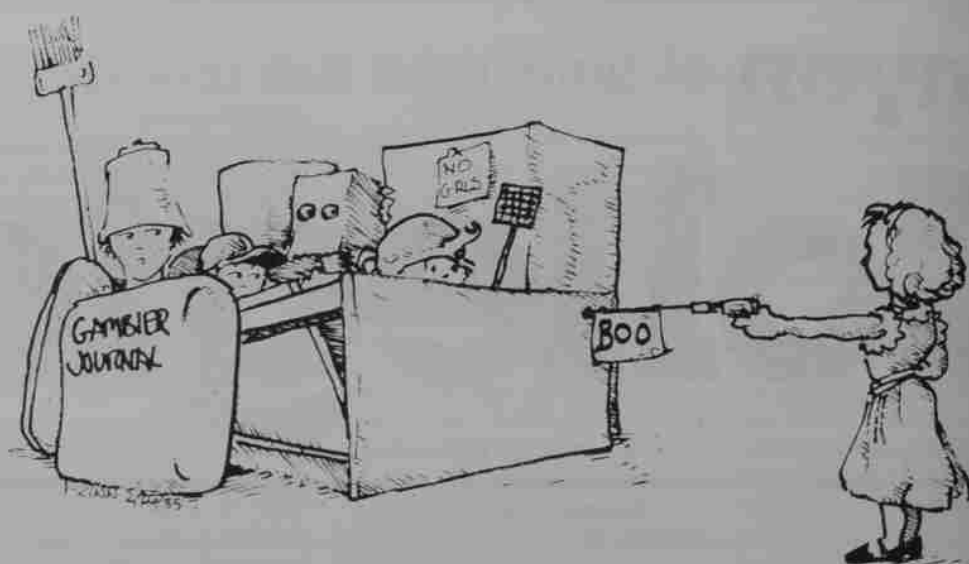
What of the letter's content? Is it true that Kenyon has "many courses where students need only to complain about 'class, gender and race' to pass"? Or that "any serious questioning of the 'feminist world view' is not welcome"? We feel that these accusations are so far from the truth as to be nearly libelous.

Another interesting point about this letter is that, although it was printed under a *Gambier Journal* letterhead and uses the phrase "we at the *Gambier Journal*," many *Journal* staff members have told us that they had no knowledge of the letter's existence. They have also reported that they don't feel the letter to be representative of the views of the bulk of the staff. Thus two individuals have stated their own opinions, and implied to the alumni that they represented the opinions of the majority of the *Journal* staff. This seems to be an especially outlandish claim in light of the *Journal*'s supposed status as a publication open to all opinions. (This status has come into question recently due to the editors' insistence that certain articles be rewritten to omit or highlight various opinions depending on how closely they reflect the editor's own views.)

It seems that the *Journal* editors' token attempt to justify their claims was the enclosure of an insert with the letter. This was a collage of letters to the editor from both the *Collegian* and the *Journal*. However, only positive letters are clearly visible; negative comments about the *Journal* are in lighter type and are incomplete or partially covered by other letters.

The final indiscretion of the authors of this letter may be the worst. It seems that in order to get access to the alumni mailing list, the *Journal* editors were requested to present a copy of the letter to Alumni Development Office for approval. They did so, and approval was granted. But there is a catch. The letter shown to the Development office was not the one sent to the alumni. The letter that 9000 alumni received was a radical alteration of the approved letter. Thus the authors skirted the rules in order to present their personal prejudices to the alumni.

We feel that Messrs. McFadden and Smith have sufficiently overstepped the boundaries of ethics and honesty to warrant a strong and swift reaction from Media Board and the community as a whole.



LAST STAND AGAINST "MILITANT FEMINISM"

THE READERS WRITE

The Kenyon Collegian encourages letters to the editor. All submissions must be signed and typed, double spaced. The Editor reserves the right to edit all material while maintaining the original intent of the submission.

Women's Studies insults those they try to help

To the Editor:

I hope I have heard for the last time that Kenyon's Women's Studies course exists "to make all more aware of women's perspectives on the world." There is a distinct difference between the views that they are portraying as "women's perspectives" and the views of women as a collective either at Kenyon or beyond.

In his letter of February 21, Mr. Singer suggests that the purpose of liberal arts is to "expose us to as many ideas and views as possible." It is my opinion that the views imparted by the instructors of the Women's Studies course erroneously pass of the views of feminists as the views of women as a whole. In so doing, they are — perhaps inadvertently, perhaps not — quelling the views of women who do not consider themselves feminists.

an equal footing in today's world without being given special help or direction. I certainly do not feel inferior, nor do I feel threatened by men, and I am continually insulted by the idea that as a woman, I need help to succeed in this world.

According to them, I should feel as though I constantly have to prove myself — both to men and to the world as a whole. As a self-respecting individual, the only person I have to prove myself to is me, not to other women and not to men.

The professors of the Women's Studies course *se trompent*. They have succeeded in creating worse stereotypes in their curriculum than those they desire to put down. The implication that women are not capable of serious

academic work, that instead of a *bona fide* paper, there should be required a *sonnet*, dance, or work of needlepoint is particularly insulting to me as a woman.

I am not a feminist, but I am nonetheless a woman. This does not imply that I have an intense desire that women should be discriminated against. I have no such desire. I merely have an objection to having feminists claim that they speak for me.

In the interest of women as a collective, both here at Kenyon and elsewhere, I ask that the instructors of the Women's Studies course do women's favor by finding a more appropriate focus for their course.

Sincerely,
Carolyn Krahnke

Subversive influences are creeping up on us during the academic year

To the Editor:

The community may or may not be aware that certain subversive influences have become increasingly prevalent during the past academic year. Generally, we are speaking of the indoctrination of these influences being propagated by the administration and, specifically, the substantial influx of communists, feminists, negroes, and fags. This radicalism has become increasingly powerful to the point where the righteous must cower in their corner for fear of violence while evil forces roam the Gambier streets unchecked: a pitiful situation.

We, the small minority and the righteous few that come to the College for its professed liberal arts and institutional guidance, are appalled to discover the thoroughgoing domination of such formerly respected mediums as the Faculty Lectureships Series, the Student Lectureships Series, and *Hika* (that "magazine" that insists on publishing solely hypersensitive elitist forms of literary trash) by anti-traditional forces whose sole intention is to brainwash and corrupt the youth of this country.

Furthermore, we who insist on shining light into darkness are being faced with extinction. In fact, Monday even-

ing in the Biology Auditorium there was a meeting of frenzied vigilantes under the pretense of a "Town Meeting" in which a stockpile of ropes, chains, and other implements of destruction waited for the go-ahead from Provost Jerry Irish, that foaming, lecherous lunatic to eliminate us and our humble institutions.

Indeed, the apocalypse is on the horizon! At this very moment there is some foreigner hanging on our door demanding access to our bookshelves. All this and the administration prohibited from placing *Mein Kampf* in its rightful position: in company with the Gut Book.

In conclusion, we feel that the administration, the faculty, and recently the majority of Kenyon students aim to erode the very ground they stand upon. It is our hope that Kenyon remains an island of sanity in the despairing sea that harbor such radical encroachments as Antioch, Oberlin, and Denison. May our friends understand: We will go to anything to preserve the Republic.

Sincerely,
The Fellowship of
Righteous Indignation
Andrew Black
Garrett Eastman

Encouragement was really refreshing

To the Editor:

Having just wound up a remarkably satisfying season of basketball, we the Kenyon Ladies would hate to hang up our shoes without recognizing all of our faithful followers. It really was refreshing to see so much encouragement for

women's basketball. Your true-blue enthusiasm was most inspiring! Thank you for rooting us through our very first winning season!

Cheers,
The Women's Basketball Team

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Both the syllabus and the teachers of Women's Studies imply that, as a woman, I cannot compete with men on

Time to get tougher in harrassment cases

To the Editor:

In response to the recent sexual harassment case, I would like to submit that, while the administration is so obviously concerned with setting a stern precedent for handling such cases, nonetheless, the impression received by much of the student body is one of not only leniency, but also of mismanagement. "Slap on the wrist" has been the analogy popularly adopted over the past week. Indeed, why have a policy at all if it makes no provisions for the only just reprimand — suspension?

If, for legal or other reasons, this is impossible, then the next step may well be a public announcement. But such an announcement, if made with no reference to the accused, has the effect not of punishment or warning, but of suspicious speculation, mistrust and ultimately a deterioration of community. Creating a scandal is not simply sensationalism, but also detracts from judicial effectiveness. Scarlet letters are obsolete, but if we are to resort to them, let's sew them on their owners rather than have them hover (with accompanying question marks) over the entire body of the faculty.

Sincerely,
Meghan E. Loomis '86

GEC offers educational opportunities

By Jocelyn Alexander

For about 12 years, the Gambier Experimental College has been helping to round out the liberal arts tradition offered here at Kenyon. The GEC offers a wide spectrum of casual, non-academic courses that are open to anyone in the Gambier community.

Through the years, the College has undergone some changes in the curriculum, which has relaxed from mostly lectures and debates to an anything-goes choice of courses. One course that appears yearly in the catalog of the college is Thomas Greenslade's History and Life of Kenyon and Gambier, which offers a historic perspective of the local area. The courses change yearly as different people volunteer varied talents or specialized knowledge.

This year's selection offers a colorful variety of rare talents. It is not often one can enroll in a course expounding the history of the Grateful Dead. There also are courses for learning how to make pasta, knit, porch sit, or cook Indian dishes, among others. There is also a course simply to take "a non-violent look at the nuclear age" illustrating the versatility of the format within the GEC. Many of the courses will be taught by Kenyon professors, but students will be teaching courses they have planned as well, in any manner appropriate to the subject matter. One of last year's hit courses was "Middle Path Encounters," a Kenyon self-help course designed to

develop the skills of diplomacy necessary to handle those awkward run-ins along Middle Path. The course included a trial run on location to see how polished their new skills were in actual practice.

James Sokol, who is chief coordinator this year with Dean Adkins as advisor, hopes the GEC will gain momentum and



GEC coordinator James Sokol

draw more participation from the community. Though successfully simple, the program suffers from lack of knowledge about its purpose and the way it works. Sokol attributes this to the surplus of under-the-door mailings that competed with his. He says they are generally ignored. Student apathy and the demands on student time are also factors which have given the GEC a slow start.

The GEC is a way of stirring up the

talent pooled in Gambier and sharing it with anyone who cares to enroll. The courses do not actually demand that much time. They meet as often as the teacher decides is most beneficial to the course. This may range from once for a few hours or once a week for several weeks. Anyone can enroll. Anyone can also teach a course, either in a serious or casual manner. The Gambier Experimental College is a school without walls that meets in places chosen about campus, depending on what is appropriate to the course and its goals. Though a bit frustrated by the lack of student response, Sokol is confident about the GEC and the benefits that can be gained by taking full advantage of it for both the individual and the Gambier community. The catalog of classes will become available after spring break and the classes themselves will meet starting March 25. The GEC is also sponsoring a contest this year for a catalog cover design with cash prizes for the best entries. Anyone can enter.

Although a sponsored student organization, the Gambier Experimental College is open for all. Tuition is one dollar and enrollment is limited so anyone who is interested should be aware of notices in March. Sign ups will be available in the dining halls during lunch and dinner times. Unusual and potentially a lot of fun, the Gambier Experimental College should be taken full advantage of by the whole village community.

Fire Department serves community

By David Bartram

"It's a good community service," says Andy Niles of the College Township Fire Department. Niles is a volunteer of the department and a sophomore at Kenyon.

The department serves a 45-square-mile area which encompasses College Township, in which Gambier is located, and Monroe Township, to the north of the village. According to Assistant Chief Charles Rice, who is in charge of the Emergency Medical Squad, the department receives an average of a little less than one call a day. Three-fourths of these calls are for the Emergency Medical Squad and one-fourth is related to actual fires, depending on the season. During the winter a special problem is chimney fires caused by woodburning stoves.

The department is tax-supported and is well-equipped. The garage, which is located on Brooklyn Street by the Pirate's Cove, contains three relatively new fire trucks along with one older truck which appears to still be functional. There are also two ambulances, three jeeps, and even a snowmobile.

room, an addition which greatly increases the efficiency and preparedness of the department. The computer con-

the person in the radio room gives it to the departing squad so that they know what they have to deal with before they



A College Township engine

tains such pertinent information as where the nearest water supply is to the home being responded to, the layout of the electrical system, and any past problems or calls to the station. When someone calls to report an emergency, the computer prints out this information and

even get to the scene. There are 600 addresses already listed on the computer, with just as many ready to be entered.

Membership on the fire department is drawn from three subsets: 40% are from Monroe Township, 20% are from Kenyon (including faculty and staff), and 40% are from College Township but are not directly associated with Kenyon. Currently there are three students on the department: Niles, Dominique Boillot, a senior, and Jim Caley, a junior. David Diggon, a freshman, has recently begun the process of becoming a member.

The process by which one becomes a member of the volunteer fire department is quite extensive. One who is interested in doing so must talk to the Chief, Hobart Brown, who asks about his or her understanding of the department and then compares this with the status of the department. The potential volunteer attends the Tuesday night meetings and the weekly Sunday inspection of all the station's equipment. Then comes the fire course and the Emergency Medical Technician's course mandated by the state of Ohio. If the applicant passes both of these courses, he or she is then licensed by the state.

After a five-day intensive training session, the entire department decides whether or not this person would work

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Is it U.S. foreign policy or some ideological commitment that has pushed Nicaragua into closer relations with the Soviet block? How does Managua view Havana, Moscow, and Washington? Questions such as these will be addressed by Professor Gabriel Iriarte in his lecture, "The Foreign Policy of the Sandinistas," to be delivered on Tuesday, March 19, at 8:00 p.m. in The Biology Auditorium.

Iriarte is presently a Fulbright scholar-in-residence at Kenyon, teaching courses in the department of modern foreign languages and literature. Iriarte holds a degree in Social Anthropology from the Universidad de Los Andes in Bogotá. He is now a professional journalist and writes articles on international politics for such Colombian magazines and newspapers as *Dinero Magazine* and *El Espectador*. As a teacher he has worked at Ceuca, the GLCA Latin American program in Columbia, since 1972. He also taught at the graduate level at the Universidad Pedagógica Nacional of Bogotá. Last year Iriarte was editor of *El Ancora Editores* where he published a book on Afghanistan and translated a book about the International Monetary fund in Latin America, and another about the cocaine in Columbia.

Be sure to attend his lecture, "The Foreign Policy of the Sandinistas," on Tuesday March 19 at 8:00 p.m. in the Biology Auditorium. Sponsored by the Faculty Lectureships Committee.

"A Beginning"

By Rik Kleinfeldt

I had quite a debate with myself in contemplation of this column. As you must know, I have never written a column for this paper before. You may also know that I have written quite a number of articles for the *Collegian*. But newswriting is really rather dull, and, since I found myself in the position of being editor of the *Perspective* page, I could escape this dreary task for once.

So I set about the task at hand, realizing that I had to be humorous and light-hearted. I considered several easy methods of getting laughs from the typical Kenyon student. The first thing that came to my mind, believe it or not, was to ridicule the DKE fraternity. But then I remembered that this column has typically provided response in the form of letters to the editor. Knowing that the literacy of DKEs is questionable, I gave up this idea. I want to upset people who have the ability to defend themselves. Which brings me to the feminists. We all know that your typical feminist is perturbed at the slightest hint of sexism, including the despicable and heinous crime of opening doors for other people. God forbid that this practice should not be censured and taken to Judicial Board! Let's do it! Courtesy is one of those things you can never do enough to eradicate.

But enough of this petty emotionalism. I should get to the heart and soul of campus matters. This column should address only those far-reaching issues that will affect us even after we leave this sacred hill. How about that donut buffet? Does anyone actually notice that it exists? Does anyone care? What philosophical significance does this special treat have besides the oral excitement of Kenyon students? Would anyone really mind if the donut buffet were discontinued? Would anyone really mind if the dining service itself was discontinued?

Maybe not. After all, this is Kenyon. There is a steadfast tradition of not accounting for taste. A recent example that strikes my mind is the Mr. Kenyon Contest. Boy, those Ethiopian jokes, just love to hear them told up on stage. Or how about the crude imitation of a crude singer who represents the working class by calling himself the Boss? Made me proud of my collegiate affiliation, let me tell you. If I act like an ass, does that mean I Mr. Ke Mr. Kenyon also?

Now I shouldn't be so blatantly ironic in my first column, right? Don't try to fool me, I know that's what you are thinking. Not to mention the fact that I'm only a freshman—now there's the crime of the century. Well, unless you're female, of course, then the fraternities will just love you forever (or a night, whichever comes first. They're not picky).

You know, it's interesting that when one is writing about the bad points of Kenyon, the fraternities are bound to come up again and again. Could it be because they are sexist? That they promote conformity and mediocrity? That they treat other people besides their "brothers" (ha!) like slime? Gosh, I just don't know. Maybe it's all a big rumor or something. How could the College support such blatantly disgusting organizations? There's just no way, it must be a bunch of rumors that the Betas started about the DKEs or something.

I really must keep away from criticizing the fraternities. It is just too tempting, and I wouldn't want to get repetitive. Well now, what else deserves attention in my first attempt at a column? *The Gambier Journal* has been driven into the ground as a topic of ironic discussion, as has Matt Roob, bless his little (tiny, infinitesimal, microscopic) heart. Speaking of which, let's hear it for the New Right.

Well, nothing much on that ideology. "Does it really exist?" is my question (The *Journal* has got to be just kidding about their views: what intelligent person would actually try to seriously defend them?).

Of course, have I tried to defend any of my views? Are you kidding? Let's be serious! Why the hell should I have to defend my beliefs? Let's face facts (Get ready, next comes my philosophy of life). We're all just a load of meaningless peons in a meaningless world in a meaningless universe all trying to get our two cents in when it's all about having fun anyway. And not even that! Well, in a universal sense it's not that. But since nothing has any meaning anyway, why do we have to defend everything so ardently? Why get an MBA when it's all about having fun anyway? Nobody wants to go through life with having a good job as their greatest goal, anyway. C'mon!

To sum it all up, selflessness is actually selfishness dressing up to go to a party, cats really aren't that different from dogs, and most men would give up their wives for a slice of good cheesecake (converted, they would give up their toe nail clippings for ARA cheesecake). So that's what it's all about, and that's what the title for my new column shall henceforth be... thank you all for coming, I hope I passed the audition.

The editor regrets the lack of uniformity in the preceding article, especially since he wrote it. Thank you and to all a good night.

New exercise alternative is Aerobics Club

By Laura Plummer

Winter often throws Kenyon students into a slump: the weather is nasty, and the school work seems to accumulate faster than snow. But a group of students have found a way to combat the winter blues through aerobics. The new Video Aerobics Club offers daily exercise sessions to work your body as hard as academics works your mind. The club began early this semester, after months of planning by organizer Nicole Rawson, Ellen Seiden, and Rachel Rawson.

Their reason for beginning Video Aerobics, says Nicole Rawson, "was to provide an exercise alternative to team sports and swimming laps." It seems to be an alternative many are interested in, for the turnout has been good. There are usually 10 to 15 people every day. "Some attend regularly, but new people are always joining," says Rawson.

The club originally began with the

idea of using commercial video workout tapes (hence the club's name). But coordinating a feasible location with a VCR machine proved too difficult and expensive. Now, the club exercises to cassette tapes of various well-known people such as Jane Fonda and Jackie Sorenson, as well as to routines set to popular music which the co-ordinators develop on their own. These routines usually consist of a series of floor and stretching exercises followed by regular aerobics. The premise the club sets for its members is to work at a comfortable pace.

The first few sessions may be rigorous, so people are encouraged to only push themselves as far as they think is sensible. Agility, stamina, and flexibility will develop gradually, thus it is not imperative that individuals participate in every exercise or perform each movement perfectly. The club wants its members to enjoy exercising, says Rawson: "We're not professionals; we're learning as we go, but the routines are

challenging; and the club is a lot of fun!"

The co-ordinators have scheduled their sessions in hopes of accommodating as many students as possible. The Video Aerobics Club meets every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at 4:15 p.m., and every Tuesday and Thursday at 7:00 p.m. Each session is held in the KC, and lasts about an hour. Athletic shoes are required. Everyone is invited, and everyone is guaranteed a rigorous and entertaining workout.



Video Aerobics Club

Meeting discusses *Journal* letter and harassment

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One senior pointed out that the *Journal* letter actually misquotes itself in the letter. The letter reads, "This year in our first issue we began an editorial by saying that 'Someone should inform Provost Jerry Irish that we are at Kenyon for a liberal education, not a Feminist (sic) Indoctrination.'" In its original publication, the words "liberal indoctrination" were used, not the words "Feminist (sic) Indoctrination."

Another important issue raised at the Town Meeting concerned the recent sexual harassment case involving two students and a Kenyon professor. There was some concern that the issue was treated too lightly within the community. One woman stated that she believed the open letter to the community printed in *Newscope* and the *Collegian* "provided lots of grounds for gossip" but did

not accomplish much else. One Kenyon senior expressed her fear that Kenyon's decision reflected a double standard because students found guilty of sexual harassment are expelled from school, while the faculty member is still permitted to teach. One Kenyon professor offered an explanation for this by stating that according to faculty contract, the harasser cannot be dismissed unless convicted in a court of law. One Kenyon staff member felt reassured that the proceedings had a positive outcome since they resulted in therapy for the accused and "anyone — student or faculty — should be able to get help" in this manner.

Other important issues discussed at the Town Meeting included student-faculty relations, Kenyon-Gambier relations, and Ronald Reagan's proposed cuts in education funds.

Whimsey prevails in the Colburn

By Dorian Ter Haar

Until March 1, the Colburn Gallery is hosting the show "Sculpture, Constructions and Whimsy." It consists of 9 small-scaled wooden sculptures by Stephanie Cooper of Cincinnati, in which the whimsy definitely prevails.

Her figures, which seem to be influenced by folk art, are seen in strange situations suggesting movement although their poses are stiff and frozen. Some are solitary figures, but the most interesting pieces are the sculptures of groups. In these, the relationship between the figures are very intriguing. For instance, in "Delphic Orb" of 1983, we see two women walking behind each other through a hallway or a house and in their hands are two rounded rods which connect them. A man kneels on a roof looking through the



Delphic Orb

either strongly holding their own position and warding off the outside world, or they are too contained in their own vanity. This we see in "Victorian Parlor" of 1985, where the only connection between the self-possessed woman looking

in the mirror and the passive man sitting behind a plant is the squirt of milk going from her bare breast into his mouth. The two are separated not only in appearance and manner, but also physically, by standing on different platforms.

Not all of the works are easy to understand. For instance, it will be hard to get the entire meaning out of the work "Lilith and the Cat" of 1981, when one does not know from the myth that Lilith was the first woman who escaped from the Gates of Paradise because she did not want to be submissive to Adam. Works like this need some explanation, but unfortunately there is no pamphlet available. But, interested viewers will enjoy the incredible craftsmanship of the artist, the repeated decorative patterns, and with some thought they might come up with their own theories of the meanings of the works.

Kinnell completes residence

By William March

With a reading from the poems of James Wright and a Poetry Group workshop, Galway Kinnell this week ended his stay as George Gund Writer-in-Residence. Kinnell was by no means unfamiliar with Kenyon, having visited campus for a reading in 1977, returning in 1983 for the James Wright Celebration.

Perhaps the highlight of his stay was the reading from his own works in Philo on the first Tuesday of his visit. The somewhat unexpected intimacy of the hall and the full crowd who came to hear the poet spurred Kinnell on to a fine, and often touching, dynamic reading. Featured were several of the earlier "Fergus" poems as well as "The Fundamental Project of Technology," soon to be published with other new poems. The real treat was Kinnell's choice to debut a new poem at Kenyon, "Last Holy Fragrance," an elegy of sorts about his friend James Wright.

Throughout his stay, Kinnell did a number of readings from the work of other poets, notably Keats, Dickinson, Whitman, and Christopher Smart, an English poet of the Eighteenth Century who wrote quasi-prophetic verse while locked up in an asylum. Common Hour

saw a question and answer period about poetry — everything you new dared to ask." In this case, "ask and I shall be granted," but "seek and ye shall find." "The Form of Free Verse" was the title of Kinnell's evening talk about poetics.

A double reading with poet Mar Strand took place in the Slater Auditorium in Granville, Ohio, with former Kenyon faculty member David Baker introducing the poets over a microphone better suited for altitude announcements on an airplane. The format was unusual enough (including the applause from the audience following each set of poems) one heard clearly Kinnell's long cultivated ability to read a poem into life.

Natural comparisons have been made in the community to the stay of the first Gund Writer, Robert Hass, for two simply are poets of different personalities and ages, at different stages in their respective career. Each brought his particular talent with his visit and looking back on the first year of the program, one recalls many memorable moments from each writer's stay; the urge toward life more . . . poems kept smothering in words." As a supplement to the visit, *Hika* will publish in its Spring issue an interview with Galway Kinnell accompanied by a reprinted poem.

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writers of the *Journal* letter have decided that feminism, women's studies, and what they refer to as "third world issues" and "enlightened views" threaten those ideals. This is not the place to carry on an argument on those topics. Suffice it to say, this opinion is held only by a small, vociferous minority.

If it is your wish to subscribe to the *Gambier Journal*, please do so. However, you should be aware that your money will only buy you a subscription to the *Gambier Journal*. Those aspects of the College that the *Journal* rails against are misrepresented. No one gets credit for needlepoint, and we are nowhere near a time when students have only to "complain about class, gender, and race" to pass.

Journal's letter to Kenyon alumni

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Our concern for Kenyon grew out of our surprise at the one-sidedness of the Faculty Lectureships schedule. With the rule on campus this year and in recent years being lectures such as Brian McNaught's, "Will You Myth Me When I'm Gone - A Gay Man's Challenge (sic)," we have been forced to ask whether Kenyon has become a place hostile to traditional values, where only "enlightened" views may be discussed.

What motivates those seeking to build this "New Kenyon"? It appears that no longer are students here to learn to think on their own. Instead, students are seen as "agents of social change." It is argued that since we come from a cultural elite, and in time, will shape the society we inherit, we must therefore prepare ourselves to join the struggle against the pervasive oppression that exists in our "patriarchal" society.

Why are we working for the *Journal* this year? Why are we writing you? Because at a time when other colleges are falling over each other to become more "progressive," we believe that Kenyon College should instead look to its roots as a traditional liberal arts college. We want Kenyon to remain an "oasis of sanity" in the world of higher education.

I would like to stress again that these are views not shared by the vast majority of the students here at Kenyon. We do in fact think on our own. We are appalled that so skewed a portrait of Kenyon has been painted and that it was done so without the prior knowledge of the rest of the *Gambier Journal* staff or the Kenyon student body. Kenyon may need help of one sort or another, but not necessarily the kind advocated in the *Gambier Journal*. Free speech and free thought are still actively practiced at Kenyon.

Sincerely,
Peter R. Terhune, President
Student Council

Featuring interviews with administrators and articles by faculty members and students, *The Gambier Journal* can provide you with all sides of the debate. Since we are at mid-year, we have set the subscription rate at \$20, for which in turn you will receive our debate-provoking back issues and the remaining issues from this year, as well as all issues for next year.

Through the *Journal*, you will be able to learn about the important issues facing the Kenyon community, which go beyond fears of a "feminist transformation of the academy." Concerns have been raised in the faculty over a perceived "publish or perish" policy. Once again, endangered is Kenyon's well-known excellence in teaching, as there is less and less student-faculty interaction as administration pressure on the faculty increases.

Please remember that *The Gambier Journal* is your paper, as well as ours. It can be a forum for your concerns as it is a forum for ours.

Thank you for your time and consideration. We look forward to hearing from you soon.

Sincerely,
Peter McFadden
Jeffrey Smith
Editors-in-Chief

Happeneds

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| 3/1 . . . Marjorie Lawrence of Nexopater, Mississippi, cuts "the most beautiful hair in Mississippi" in public and auctions it off to buy Liberty Bonds to "help Uncle Sam," 1918. | 3/14 . . . Albert Einstein born, 1879. New York City, gripped by drought, hires a "rainmaker" for \$100 a day, 1950. |
| 3/2 . . . Dr. Seuss born, 1904. | 3/15 . . . The Ides of March. |
| 3/7 . . . Full moon. | 3/17 . . . St. Patrick's Day. Teddy Roosevelt coins "muckraking," 1906. |
| Mayor Cincinnati tells city council no woman is physically fit to operate an automobile, 1908. | 3/18 . . . First electric shavers for sale, 1931. |
| 3/9 . . . George Washington expresses his feelings on his inauguration as the first president of the U.S. as being "not unlike those of a culprit who is going to the place of his execution," 1789. | 3/19 . . . Swallows return to Caprano. |
| | 3/20 . . . First day of Spring. Uncle Tom's Cabin published, 1852. |
| | 3/30 . . . U.S. purchases Alaska from Russia, 1867. |

Runners hit final tuneup for conference

By Mary Ellen Kosanke

On Friday both the men's and women's track teams completed their regular indoor seasons. The men finished the season with an 11-5 record, while the women completed their season at 9-4. On Friday the women won their meet while the men finished third. The women dominated with 60.5 points, while Oberlin earned 42.5 and Case-Western Reserve had only nine. The men finished with 45 points, behind Case-Western Reserve's 55 and Wittenberg's 48, but ahead of Oberlin's 23 points.

The highlight of the meet was captain Krissann Mueller's performance in the long jump. She won the event by jumping 17'9". This distance meets the national qualifying standard for the Indoor National Meet. Although the qualifying standard was met, it is not positive that Krissann will be competing in the meet. Because this is the first year of the Indoor Nationals the standards were set as a guide, and only the top 12 performances for the men and the top 10 performances for the women will qualify for the meet. The athletes will know on Wednesday, March 6th if they will be competing on the 8th and 9th.

Mueller commented, "I'm pretty excited because I jumped that far, but I can't be certain that I'll go. It's the same

with Bea," (Huste), Jo Child, Marguerite Bruce, and Mark Speer. Bea Huste and Jo Child are hoping their 880 times will be fast enough to get them invited to the Nationals. Bruce is hoping her 60 time will be among the top 10 nationally, while Speer is close with his high jump of 6'6 1/2". He will be attempting to make the qualifying standard of 6'8" this weekend. Mueller will also be waiting to hear if she will compete in the triple jump. Friday night her winning jump of 35'5" was only an inch short of the official national qualifying standard.

Other first place finishers for the women were the 880 relay team, Bruce in the 60 and 440, Peggy Rule in the high jump, and Priscilla Perotti in the 880. Adding points for the Ladies were Maria Fiore in the shotput, Marcia Humes in the high jump and 300, Emily Wasserberg and Aileen Hefferren in the 600, Hess in the two mile, and Jenny Raymond and Amy Sutcliff in the mile.

Child, Chris Northrup, and Mark Speer had outstanding performances for the men's team. Speer set a new Kenyon varsity indoor record in this high jump with a jump of 6'6 1/2". Child and Northrup dominated the 880 taking first and second respectively. Their times of 1:55.36 and 1:56.66 are the second and fourth fastest times in Kenyon indoor

track history. Child also has the first and third fastest Kenyon indoor 880 times.

Other first place finishers for the men were the 880 relay team and Rob Voce in the 60. Second places were added by John Watson in the high jump, Ray Grill in the shot put, Charles Hopton in the 1000, and Kirk Anderson in the pole vault. Adding the final points for the Lords were Steve Manella in the mile, Tim Troiano in 60, Pat Shileds in the 440, Dave Watson in the 300, and Dave Breg in the 880.

Coach Peterson commented, "The meet was a great effort by every one. It was a tune up for the Conference Championship. We're hoping we will do well." The Conference Championships will be Friday and Saturday at Ohio Wesleyan. This will be the last chance for the athletes to qualify for the indoor National meet which will be held March 8th and 9th in Maine.



Jo Child stretches for the tape

Ladies basketball falls in NCAC semis

By Darryl Shankle

On February 18 in the Ernst Center, the Kenyon Ladies basketball team battled Ohio Wesleyan University for third place in the North Coast Athletic Conference. Kenyon had visions of "revenge" on its mind because of an earlier 51-41 defeat in Delaware. The Ladies gained revenge and much more in annihilating OWU 72-50.

In command the entire game Kenyon had five players in double figures. Freshman Jill Tibbe had 20 points, junior Betsy Lukens 13, senior Robin Muller 10, Sophomore Chris Fahey 10, and freshman Laurie Ewers 10. As a team, the Ladies shot 47% from the field (31 of 74), while OWU hit just 31% (20 of 64).

Kenyon also held an edge in the rebound department, 42-39. Senior Kathleen Sheehan led the team with 11, while Lukens had seven, Ewers six, and Muller six.

In the first round of the NCAC championship tournament on February 20, the

Ladies hosted arch-rival Denison, who finished sixth in the seven team league. After defeating DU 78-68 only five days earlier, Kenyon struggled but eked out a 67-63 win.

The score was tied 17 different times, the last being 57-57 with less than three minutes left. From that point, Tibbe canned a field goal and two free throws, and Muller hit a clutch jumper to put the Ladies up 63-57 with 1:09 left. The Big Red sank two foul shots, but the Ladies came right back as Tibbe made a beautiful pass to Muller for an easy bucket. A Muller free throw gave Kenyon its biggest lead at 66-59, and the Ladies hung on to claim their 13th victory.

Freshman scoring machine Tibbe had another hot shooting night as she connected on 13 of 24 field goals and five of six foul shots for 31 points. Playing her last game ever at Tomsich Arena, senior Muller scored 13 points, 11 of which came in the latter stages of the second half. As a team, Kenyon outgauged Denison 30-23, but hit just seven of 14 free throws to DU's 17 of 21.

Denison kept the game close by out-rebounding Kenyon 44-33. The top rebounders for Kenyon were Fahey and Tibbe with seven each, Lukens with six, and Sheehan with five.

On February 23, Kenyon traveled to Ohio Wesleyan to take on the College of Wooster in the semifinal round of the NCAC tournament. Unfortunately, the Scotties proved to be an unconquerable opponent and the Ladies lost 71-49.

Kenyon's offense suffered many breakdowns due to Wooster's tough 3-2 defense. The Ladies shot a chilly 33% as they made just 20 of 59 field goal attempts. The Scotties' defense also caused 22 turnovers. Even though Wooster did not shoot that well (28 of 69 for 40%), the Scotties dominated the boards (46-31), especially the offensive end (22-11).

"We hurt ourselves with turnovers and offensive ineffectiveness," stated Coach Gretchen Weitbrecht after the loss. "We did not play as well as we would like to have played in a

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Denison skates over icers

By Frank Virelli

David felt that he had a shot at Goliath, then again, Custer thought that he had a shot at the Sioux. So it was with the Kenyon College Ice Hockey team last Friday night at the O.S.U. Ice Arena. Despite the fact that they were to face a Denison team that has a \$4,000 budget (as opposed to Kenyon's few hundred dollar budget) and thus can have virtually unlimited ice time, the Lords believed that somehow they could pull off an upset. Unfortunately it was not to be as the Big Red battered its way to an 18-5 triumph.

The makings of an upset seemed to be there. For the first time all season there were people in the stands rooting for the Lords. Some observers estimated that there were as many as 30 fans who

made the trip from Gambier. It seemed as if the crowd would not be disappointed when Jeff DeStefano scored a power play goal five minutes into the game to close the gap to 2-1. But when the Big Red responded with a string of five unanswered goals, a lead was built that proved insurmountable.

The men in the Busch-blue uniforms refused to quit, however, as they started to play Denison more evenly. The first period ended on a high note as Kelly Traw, who earlier had scored on a pretty tip of a Chip Lattanzio wrist shot, beat both the opposing goalie and the period ending siren to bring the score to 10-4.

In the second stanza, Sears Carpenter netted Kenyon's final goal. Yet, the most excitement was generated by Lars Gunt-

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Sears Carpenter slaps the puck past the Denison goalie

IM slate opens for women

By Nick Ksenich

After several years of effort, Kenyon's intramural athletics office has finally been able to sponsor a women's IM basketball league.

Last year, according to IM co-director Bob Hurley, only four or five women showed an interest in the league, and most of them resorted to playing in the men's circuit. A notice in this year's Winter Newscope produced few replies, and it looked as though the league would again be dropped due to a lack of players.

However, there was one team that signed up for the league. When seniors Boo Lunt and Marie Hamilton found out that their's was the only team registered, they began to talk up the league around campus, and eventually they proved successful.

The women's IM league has been active for three weeks now, playing on Sunday afternoon from two till four o'clock. Hurley reports that four teams showed up for the first week, with six arriving for the second. The co-director mentioned that good crowds have been in attendance for the play. Currently the teams have not set schedule, but that could change soon to a round robin tournament or a regular season format, depending on the interest of the participants. Student officials are provided for all the games.

Hurley pointed out that the rosters cover a good mix of students from freshmen to seniors, and Lunt commented that several faculty members participate in the fun. Hurley feels the number of teams has probably peaked at six, but remarks that the whole situa-

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Lords seek to rebuild tournament dynasty

Twenty-six All-American swimmers, the defending national champion (Kenyon College) and two other nationally-ranked swim teams are the ingredients which will focus the spotlight on the first men's North Coast Athletic Conference Swim Championship held February 28; March 1-2 at Allegheny College in Meadville, PA.

Together with perennial national top ten finishers Allegheny College and Denison University, and the other NCAC schools are indeed headed for a log-jam in the coming NCAC Championship. The winner of that meet will not only be the NCAC champions, but in all likelihood will continue on to be the NCAA Division III winners.

It is also interesting to note that in all probability, the top three finishers in the NCAC Championship will be among the top ten teams in the nation overall.

While Kenyon, five-time consecutive Division III Champions, are the expected favorites of the meet, Denison, ranking seventh in the nation in '83 and Allegheny, grabbing 20th last season can not be taken lightly. Both possess qualities of speed and strength that might be a match to Kenyon at the Championship.

Allegheny, perhaps the Cinderella team in the Conference this year, holds a 6-2 record on the season thus far. Allegheny fell to Denison in a give or take meet, 57-56 losing five races by one-tenth of a second or less.

"There's no doubt this meet will contain some of the finest teams in the nation. Kenyon is the favorite at this point. However, Denison and Allegheny can not be counted out," commented meet director and Allegheny coach, Tom Erdos.

"The relays are the important races to watch (they count twice as much as the individual races in points). Right now, we (Allegheny) and Kenyon are two of the top relay teams in the country. I think all teams will swim closely... you can lose a race by only one-hundredth of second."

The 100-yard butterfly will be a race to keep close eye on as Jimmy Born, a six-time All-American from Kenyon, will battle it out with Allegheny's Doug Rusk. Denison breaststrokers, Tom Anderson, Bob Danielson and Steve Ray will come up against some of the nation's top swimmers in that event such as Craig Hummer, Stuart Gutsehe and J. B. Goessman of Kenyon.

All eyes around the Conference are on these three schools to see who will reign as champion this season and to see if anyone is capable of breaking the Kenyon dynasty.

Tourney loss ends cage season for men

By John Welchli

The men's basketball team finished its 1985 campaign last Wednesday in the NCAC tournament as the Allegheny Gators defeated the Kenyon Lords by the score of 64-59.

The Lords had previously played Allegheny twice and were victorious in the second game, outscoring the Gators 66-64 to give the cagers their only conference victory. The Lords played very well according to coach Bill Brown. "We got off to a super start, at one point we built up a 25-18 lead and we led at the half 34-33." In the first half Kenyon was able to work their offense and score when they needed to, but in the second half things went a little differently. With 12 minutes left in the game the Lords hit

a cold spell. They were not able to score for five minutes, and as a result Allegheny was able to get the lead and stretch it out to ten points, 54-44. The cagers came back late in the game, but they did not have enough time as the clock ran out with the final score ending at 64-59.

Senior Chris Russell and freshman Paul Baier led the Lords in scoring as Russell scored 20 points and Baier tossed in 18. Kenyon was out-rebounded by the Gators 24-30. Kenyon had one less turnover than Allegheny, giving the ball away to the Gators only 11 times as compared to Allegheny's 12. In the shooting department, Kenyon was 21 of 56 from the field for 45% and 17 of 22 from the line for 77%. Allegheny shot 50% from the field going 29 of 58 and

from the line they were six of 11 for 55%. Coach Brown thought that the Lords played very well throughout the game except for the one stretch where they were unable to score for five minutes. "They played very well, they did not make many mistakes and did what they had to win. That stretch where we couldn't score cost us because we were defeats, much-improved from their one or more baskets during that stretch we had ourselves a victory."

With that final loss, the Kenyon Lords finished with a 6-19 record with one victory in the conference against eleven defeats, much improved from their one victory season of a year ago. The Lords averaged 65 points a game this season and allowed 69.5 points per game on the

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the word "radical" later on in the letter because they were tired of using the word "militant." He acknowledged that needlepoint in the year-long Women's Studies course (which is only one option for a final project in the course and listed in the syllabus as "needlework") was 20% of the semester grade.

McFadden's justifications for the editorial views of the paper are based on his suspicion that Provost Irish has been sympathetic to feminist viewpoints while ignoring alternative ones. McFadden believes "people are looking at a lot of aspects of the Journal. The most important thing instead of organizational mistakes is the questions: Is Kenyon as free to all ideas as it should be? Is the Provost doing all he can to promote an open environment where all ideas are welcomed?"

McFadden and Smith state that they hope the cost of the letter will be covered by the subscription money that they received, in response to the letter.

The letter was sent out to almost all alumni except those living abroad, those in the 43022 area and thirty or so others.

"We ran out of envelopes," McFadden explains. The editors thought those abroad would not be as likely to subscribe and those in this area would be aware of the Journal and so eliminated them from the list.

Questions regarding McFadden's integrity when acquiring the alumni list have also been raised. McFadden met with John Ryerson, Director of Annual Funds, requesting the alumni mailing labels. McFadden showed Ryerson a copy of a letter sent to parents in the fall by the Journal soliciting subscriptions and contributions. McFadden says it was his understanding that the letter was only "a sample of writing. Mr. Ryerson asked if it was going to be the same letter and I told him 'no,'" according to McFadden. Ryerson says he agreed to give McFadden the labels after seeing the letter because "I was under the impression the letter wouldn't change dramatically."

Ryerson says he also specifically asked McFadden not to request donations. "He (McFadden) agreed he wouldn't ask for contributions," Ryerson explained that "soliciting for money

for student organizations conflicts with our drive."

McFadden says, "It was my impression Mr. Ryerson wanted us to only take out the line on contributions in the parents' letter." The line in the letter states: "Any contribution beyond this (the subscription) would be welcomed." McFadden explains, "In my understanding I thought the unlimited contribution was the problem. We changed to limit them. We are asking alumni to give a specific amount of money, not unlimited as 'any' would suggest."

McFadden feels his actions were above board but Ryerson doesn't agree. "It's not what I expected of a Kenyon student. They have a perfect right to disagree but deliberate deception is another thing." In response, both President Jordan and Provost Irish called for student action. Saying he found the incident "disturbing" Jordan stated, "It's a student statement and it should be responded to by students."

Media Board will meet March 19 to examine the issue.



Gift giving on the rise

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many of the younger alumni are still in school or just beginning to start a family and so cannot afford to make a very large donation. "We tend to be a little light on the high side, but we get a lot of little gifts."

So far this year, the combined amount from gifts and pledges have totalled \$496,500. Last year, 43% of the alumni contributed \$524,123. Ryerson said that national average of alumni who make donations is about 21%. "We do very well, we just think we can do better," said Ryerson.

"Alumni leadership is critical," Jordan said. Volunteers operate the effort to raise alumni funds, which is organized into three parts. A direct mailing is relied upon heavily and followed up with phonathons and then personal calls (visits) conducted by class agents. There are 63 classes of Kenyon alumni represented by 105 class agents. The class agents also assist in the phonathons, which are conducted in eight cities this year across the U.S., from New York to San Francisco.

"It's going well," said Jordan. "Before too many years pass we will be raising in excess of one million dollars a year."

Twelve people make up the Kenyon Executive Committee (all volunteers) which keep the process running smoothly and report to the College of their progress.

Women close finest season

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tournament game. Still, (Saturday's) performance doesn't overshadow the overall success we enjoyed this year."

Leading Kenyon in scoring for the twentieth time in 22 games, Tibbe made only five of 15 field goals and three of five free throws for 13 points. Also scoring in double figures was Fahey, who added 10.

Even though the outcome of the game was not very pleasant for Kenyon fans, Coach Weitbrecht was looking on the bright side of things in saying that, "this game will probably open our eyes to

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all that much and in fact the cagers lost eight games by five or less points and several of those were overtime. In rebounding Kenyon averaged 33.5 rebounds per game while their opponents averaged slightly more with 34.6 per

what we have to do next year to be even better."

The Kenyon women's basketball team would like to thank the community, administration, faculty, staff, students, parents and fans of Kenyon College for the great support throughout the year that made the season a "record-breaking" one!

Expansion of intramurals

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tion "is great, since we've been trying to get women more involved" in IM sports. Previously, women's volleyball has been offered, but it hasn't taken off. Co-ed soccer last semester was a success, Hurely said, and as to the future, he comments, "I just hope it continues." Co-ed softball, or a separate women's softball slate, could be set for the spring. "It's up to the women to show the interest," he remarked.

game. From the field the Lords shot a respectable 45%, but they allowed their opponents to score on 50% of their shots. From the charity stripe Kenyon outshot their opponents by 7%, 72%-65%.

In scoring, the Lords had three players who averaged in double figures, Chris Russell, David Mitchell, and Paul Baier. Russell, the senior, scored a total of 443 points and averaged 17.7 per game. He not only led the team in scoring, but he also led the team in assists with 107. Freshman David Mitchell scored 304 points this season and averaged 12.2 per game. Mitchell was also the second leading rebounder for Kenyon this year, totaling 136, while averaging 5.4 per game. Paul Baier, another freshman, scored 220 points and averaged 10.0 points per game. Baier was the team's leading rebounder with 149 and he aver-

aged 6.9 per game. He did all this even though he missed three games. Coach Brown commented on the season: "I had several goals this season and I do think that our record is a reflection of our efforts, but in result most people just look at the record and they don't know the team." As for next season he said, "We certainly are going to miss Chris Russell. He was a real leader, we have a great bunch of guys who are more than willing to work hard and do all play well together."

Hockey

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ness, who challenged certain members of the Denison team to meet him outside after the game. This spirit sustained the team for the rest of the game although they used it constructively and played clean, hard-hitting hockey. This was as a relief to beleaguered goaltender John Pirie, who up until that point was receiving very little help from his defense.

At the urging of captain Dave Warner, the Lords came out determined to "win the third period." Despite the fact that they were outscored 3-0 in the frame, the territorial advantage was as one-sided as it had been during the previous two periods. Kenyon skated hard right to the end, and the game feeling was that had they been able to practice as much as Denison, the 13 point difference could have been changed. George Custer was not available for comment.

Fire Department

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well with the squad. If the answer is yes, then he or she enters a probationary period of several months during which time the applicant works in the mail room and goes out on certain calls. In all, the training takes about 150 hours, which is the equivalent of taking a year-long course at Kenyon. Obviously, one must be willing to commit a great deal of time to this endeavor.

Kenyon students have served on the department for about 20 years, with the highest number for a single year being six. Students must be, and almost always have been, in good academic standing to be a member.

When asked about his reasons for being a volunteer, Niles responded, "I wanted to be more a member of the community, besides in just an academic way." He stresses that it is a great experience for him and that, if he lives in a rural area after graduation, he would come involved in the program there.

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